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Application Serial No.: 09/731,866 Applicant(s): Katsuto NAGANO, et al.

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For: EL DEVICE

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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT W/MARKED UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIM (3pp.)

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Supplemental to the Preliminary Amendment filed December 8, 2000, and prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

--4. (Amended) The EL device according to claim 2, wherein said first electrode

contains one or two or more of Ni, Ag, Au, Pd, Pt, Cu, Ni, W, Fe, and Co or any one of Ag-

Pd, Ni-Mn, Ni-Cr, Ni-Cr, Ni-Co and Ni-Al alloys .--

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENT

The amendment to Claim 4 corrects a typographical error. No new matter would be added by entry of this amendment.